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College students are still scared of the dark?

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Three of the scariest movies of all time.

As with the Dubuque community, the Clarke campus has seen occurrences of colds and flus in the last few weeks. Some students stayed in a designated isolation area on the second floor of Mary Jo Hall and others traveled home or stayed away from classes as to not infect others. Some faculty and staff members have also been ill.

Students who contracted flu-like symptoms and could not travel home are being asked to stay in the isolation area of Mary Josita Hall. Students killed time during their days in isolation by playing board games like Monopoly. Cleaning schedules were established to regularly disinfect all of the restrooms on

the second floor. "Housecleaning schedules are being changed to focus on high traffic and common areas," said Executive Director of Comm-

munication Mike Cyze. "Regular cleaning will include surfaces that have hand contact such as door knobs, desks, key boards and counters. The college has also switched to hospital grade disinfectant for cleaning."

The decision was made to

create isolation rooms in Mary Jo to give students who

regular seasonal flu. This is simply a precautionary measure."

If students' symptoms are flu-like, they are being asked to go home or stay in isolation until they are fever free for at least 24 hours without medication. Disinfectant wipes are made available for roommates of students who are ill.

There have been several confirmed cases of H1N1 and Influenza A in the Dubuque area. Local hospitals are requesting that sick children and students do not come to the hospital. Health professionals are treating Influenza A as if it is H1N1. Symptoms include a fever of 100 degrees or higher, chills, sweating, cough or respiratory

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Clarke Twins

Experience Double Addiction

VeNita and VaNessa LaNier were thrilled to have the chance to meet Dr. Drew during his appearance at Clarke Oct. 24th.



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Two Clarke students, VeNita and VaNessa LaNier, had the opportunity to meet Dr. Drew before his lecture at Clarke Oct. 24 in an experience that they describe as "only at Clarke."

"I remember listening to 'LoveLine' with my sister when I was young, keeping it low, hoping my mother wouldn't hear the provocative show," VeNita explains. "He was always one of our idols," VaNessa adds.

In their month-long search Jason and Andy tipped over chairs in the SAC and looked behind countless flyers around campus.

Now it's time to go black and gold. "I was never really a Hawkeye fan," said Andy. "But this is my first ever college football game. I'm definitely cheering for Iowa!"

page the night before he came to Clarke to tell him how excited she was to see him.

Twenty minutes before the show, Specht approached the twin sophomores majoring in business and told them that Dr. Drew would like to meet them.

The twins came away from the experience with, as they both described, "permagins."

"I told him he was a silver fox," giggled VeNita.

"I'm forever indebted to Jamie for setting up that meeting," VeNessa said.

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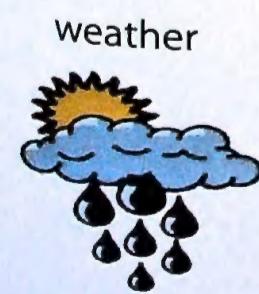
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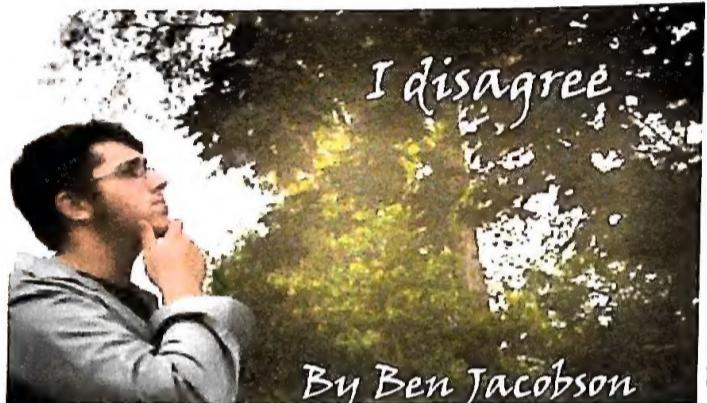
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OPINION

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By Ben Jacobson

Halloween: Not just for the kiddies
I remember an assignment I had when I was in elementary school. We were supposed to prepare a brief speech explaining which holiday was our favorite and why. Most of the other students picked Christmas, citing presents as their reason, aside from one weird kid who picked Arbor Day, but nobody paid attention to him because it was a widely accepted fact that he was a stupid worm-flusher. But I was always partial to Halloween.

Sure, Christmas is great. You get off work or school, sometimes for several days, and you get presents. And there's that whole peace and love thing that my Grandma is always trying to convince me is the real meaning of Christmas. As if. But Halloween always won out for me. There are always scary movies on TV for the weeks leading up to it, I would get tons of candy, and I could dress up like a monster and scare the Gerber mashed peas out of my baby brother. What's not to love?

Unfortunately, my mother, who clearly never loved me and should have been investigated by child services for such grievous abuse, decided that I could no longer trick or treat after the age of 12. So, in October of 1997, I set out for my last Halloween as a trick or treater, dressed as a Stormtrooper from "Star Wars." Obviously I was a very popular and in no way socially awkward child.

Unfortunately, as I mentioned earlier, my parents didn't love me, so my costume was rather low budget. The mask was made from the same material Taco Bell cups are made from and the rest of my

costume consisted of white sweatpants and a white sweatshirt. I did have an authentic Stormtrooper rifle, but to my extreme dismay, it was completely incapable of vaporizing anyone. I received lots of candy that night and between my brothers and Dr. Cheung's pediatric dentistry clinic was able to stay in business for the next decade, but I was disappointed. It seemed that my favorite holiday was now just another candy-free day.

But I soon discovered that I could have fun on Halloween even without trick or treating. Through high school I entertained myself by designing new and elaborate ways to scare the neighborhood kids, which may have backfired as the aforementioned kids are now in high school themselves and have proven to be very accurate egg and toilet paper throwers. Then, when I got to college, I realized that all holidays, even Arbor Day, can be viewed as an excuse to get together with friends and drink large amounts of um, diet soda. And Halloween is the best of these because you can show up at someone's house with a ski mask and a machete and not have to spend the night in a jail cell.

So what I said in elementary school is true to this day. Halloween is my favorite holiday, just for different reasons.

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Dr. Drew Pinsky, host of the radio call-in program "Lovelive" and star of the VH1 show "Celebrity Rehab with Dr. Drew," is passionate about what he does as the Clarke campus saw last Saturday during his Mackin Malander Lecture on addiction.

He discussed acceptance of cure all. "We people say to us to use pain killers have receptors Drew said in question about have opium receptors that mean natural to use Oxycontin.

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It could happen to you... That fear you just can't grow out of

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You just watched the scariest horror movie ever and now you have to walk all the way from the parking lot to your dorm room through the dimly lit hallways of Clarke. The stories you've heard about Clarke being haunted don't help, and when you finally get to your room, you have to sprint and jump into your bed in the dark.

We've all had it: The totally irrational fear that something or someone is going to come after you at night takes days to go away no matter how old you are, but some people are terrified on a regular basis.

"I sleep in a cocoon under my blankets and none of my limbs can hang off over the bed," said freshman Mary Collier. "I'm scared that two skeleton hands are going to reach out from under my bed and drag me under in the middle of the night."

During the first week of school, Mary called me because it was late at night and she was walking outside by herself and was scared of being followed. This may seem extreme, but I have done the same thing. Walking through Eliza Kelly after

midnight on a Courier production night when all the music rooms are open and dark is terrifying. And to make things worse, people intentionally turn out the hallway lights under Mary Jo.

Most people who are scared of the dark have a reason. Sometimes it's a movie you currently watched, or a prank your friends played on you, or an especially scary episode of Buffy the Vampire Slayer.

"I have to run up the stairs in the dark because of the movie Thirteen Ghosts," said sophomore Tina Zelinski. "I think the Jackal is chasing after me."

Childhood TV shows such as "Are You Afraid of the Dark," "The Crypt Keeper," "X-Files," and those Disney movies that were actually really scary can help keep people scared of the dark for all of their adult lives.

"In the Disney boogeyman movie the kid was only safe if he kept his blankets over his head," said sophomore Sam Trasou. "I've had to do that when ever I get scared."

And why do recent horror movies have to have weird shaped, odd moving, and pale monster things like in "The Decent"? At least I could tell myself that the wolf man might be wearing a mask like in "Scooby Doo," but these new creepy things could be real.

Mentally I know that Bloody Mary probably will not come out of my mirror and kill me, but killer children coming out of a cornfield? That could happen!

"At least in most horror movies you can fight back," said Trasou. "But in something like "The Exorcist" you're pos-

sessed and can't do anything."

Junior communication major Heather Jansen believes that college students can overcome these fears. "Really, I just think that college kids psych themselves out. They think too hard and let their imaginations run wild."

During this Halloween season filled with horrific movies and pranks, Clarke students should keep their imaginations in check. And if all else fails, pull those covers up and remind yourself that it probably couldn't happen...you hope.

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CAMPUS LIFE

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Somebody's watching you: confessions of a creeper

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Over the past few years, Facebook has become an integral part of the average student's life. It's synonymous with procrastination and gossip, readily providing information about anyone available to whoever searches for it. But what happens when you fail to protect your information from unintended outside sources?

Welcome to the world of a Facebook creeper, whose identity is being kept secret to protect the innocent. In all actuality, s/he has done nothing wrong. S/he isn't breaking any rules, just making the most of the privileges allowed by being friends with many people on Facebook.

But what is the difference between a creeper and a very inquisitive friend? A friend is a person whom you know and see regularly. A creeper adds you after meeting once or twice, if at all. Creepers search your information and find out things about you without you even knowing.

For our creeper, it was a way to see what Iowa was like, as s/he came from quite a ways away. "I waited until I got my Clarke email so I could join that network. Next, I added people who were going to graduate in the same year as me, then I added people a year older and looked through their pictures to see what the dorms, people, everything, looked like."

But to define our creeper in these vague terms doesn't do the person justice. According to him/her: "I began creeping as soon as majority of my friends began getting facebook. I've only had facebook for three years, but I've been creeping for two years. I didn't even know it was called

answer is fairly simple. "I like information and knowing what's going on, and I like gossip the most." S/he added "You can learn a lot about someone through profiles. After I add someone, I look at their 'about me' section, then their wall, then their pics."

One sticky subject for our creeper is what happens after people discover her/his little habit. "The people that I told were surprised, but they eventually got over it" said our creeper. "I only tell friends that I've crept on them, never friends of friends."

Sophomore art and theatre major Kayla Damisch is an acquaintance of our creeper. When hearing about his/her method of investigating her facebook profile, she said that

she "accepted the friend request and didn't think much of it. I ended up seeing the creeper at the beginning of last year. I don't really care that the person looked through my pictures. After all, they are public. I think that Facebook is like a big billboard. You shouldn't put anything up that you don't want other people to see."

Kayla even admits to her own secret creeping, especially in the spoon game. She would look at the facebook profiles of people that she was after for the competition. But in that instance, Kayla decided to be doubly sneaky. "I changed my name and profile picture so I couldn't be stalked by people other than those

who already knew me," said Kayla. "But I changed it back to my real name and picture once I was eliminated from the game, and I ceased to creep for the moment. It was pretty soft-creeping. I only looked to see what people looked like in their profile pictures. I never looked at activities that they were in or anything excessive, like the creeper."

But our creeper believes that security is the key to protecting personal information. "Set your profile to private, make sure only friends can see your pictures, set up the top security settings, and only add people you've met or know in real life", our creeper warned. Never add people who are friends of friends unless you have personally met them.

Some people believe that creepers can be discovered by adding popular applications such as "Stalker Check". In truth, they only tell you who posts on your wall, likes your statuses and comments on your pictures, not who checks your profile the most. The best creepers are very smart, and never leave evidence for others to discover their secret shame. After all, our creeper wouldn't allow us to use his/her name.

So let this cautionary tale guide Facebook users to be careful with personal information and images. Remember that anyone can be found by a creeper unless the proper precautions are taken.



Clarke prepares students for law school

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The competition to get into law school is fierce. There are more applications yearly than seats nationwide, but Clarke is helping students who wish to attend law school by helping them attend law school forums.

Six Clarke juniors and seniors attended the Chicago Law Forum at the McCormick Convention Center Oct 17. Earlier that week, three students attended a Notre Dame Law School information session and luncheon at Loras College.

"I anticipate that this will become an annual trip as long as there is student interest," said philosophy professor and pre-law adviser Norm Freund.

The forum itself consisted of numerous workshops on topics such as the nature of the LSAT and applying to and paying for law school. Representatives from over 130 law schools across the country were present to talk to students.

Pursuing a career in the law can be difficult. There are over 200 accredited law schools nationwide, but the average class size usually does not exceed 1000 students. The average LSAT score accepted by Notre Dame Law School is 167 out of 180.

Clarke students desiring a legal career have a

number of opportunities through Dr. Freund and the philosophy department.

"We offer general pre-law advising, law forum trips, and classes in symbolic logic, as well as a course in LSAT preparation. This is all in addition to law internships for undergraduates."

A variety of liberal arts majors provide a good background for law school preparation, with the top three by LSAT scores being math, economics and philosophy, according to Freund.

Clarke has no way of tracking Clarke students who go on to law school, but two graduates from last year are currently attending Drake University and the University of Oklahoma law schools. Seven juniors and seniors this year are in the process of completing their law school applications.

Law school admission requirements include a good LSAT score, a strong GPA, personal statements, and recommendations from professors or employers. The first year of law school includes rigorous core courses in civil procedure, contracts, constitutional and criminal law and legal writing.

In addition, law school can be extremely expensive to students who are oftentimes already paying

off undergraduate student loans.

"The law forum really helped me," said senior communication major Heather Haas. "I was able to ask law school representatives about their schools, what the campus is like, and how they structure their three years at law school."

Haas is interested in family and child law. She plans on applying to UW-Madison, Drake, or the University of Iowa law schools. "The LSAT does make me nervous, but I also took the GRE so I am looking at a master's program as well."

"Clarke has provided me with a good education and teachers that continue to challenge me," said Hass. "I have been given good resources and opportunities such as the law forum."

A representative from Drake University School of Law will host an informal luncheon in the Clarke Rare Books Room on Nov 4. Students who are interested in pursuing a career in law should contact Norm Freund at norm.freund@clarke.edu.

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Costume

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It's happened before and it'll happen again. For college kids, it's much worse than the whole hedging thing. Most just give up for a play on words (aka "chick magnet") and take chances to their clothes). What the major students fail to notice, however, is that, in the closer, there is a wide variety of inexpensive costumes that can be created in m

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women, Bella from "Twilight" is fairly simple: Long brown hair, a pale appearance (compl of white powder) and a plaid shirt will do the Another idea would be Dr. House, from the F show "House MD." Needed for this: eyeliner smudged on, makes a convincing 5 o'clock sha

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Costumes on the Cheap

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It's happened before and it'll happen again: Every Halloween too many people realize at the last moment that they have forgotten to get a costume. For college kids, it's much worse (there's the whole budgeting thing). Most just give up or go for a play on words (aka "chick magnet" and attach fake chickens to their clothes). What the majority of students fail to notice, however, is that, in the average closet, there is a wide variety of inexpensive yet unique costumes that can be created in minutes!

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Kanye West is getting old, but he can easily be pulled off. Sunglasses and a fake mic are all that are required. Works well in conjunction with a Taylor Swift costume, but, with impeccable timing, Kanye can ruin the spotlight for any other costume by interrupting at important moments.

The most entertaining costumes seem to be ones that are completely new and thought up on your own. Simple props can take on a life of their own for Halloween. An unused pizza box, pad of paper, baseball cap and name tag transform one into a pizza delivery person. Other professions offer a number of unique interpretations, a truck driver, for example. The only items needed to embody this job are a baseball cap (the dirtier the better), large belt, slightly wrinkled oversized shirt, pair of jeans and a pair of boots. CB lingo is optional. A wide variety of newsuperhero costumes with customized powers are always fun.

Dia de los Muertos comes to Clarke

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Dia de los Muertos, "Day of the Dead," will be celebrated on campus this year during Halloween week. The holiday is a celebration for Latin Americans in the United States and regions of Central America on Nov 1 and 2. The holiday focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember friends and family members who have died.

"This holiday is special because it's a time to remember the lives and memories of your deceased loved ones, and celebrate the time they had here on earth with you," said sophomore Claudia Jaramillo.

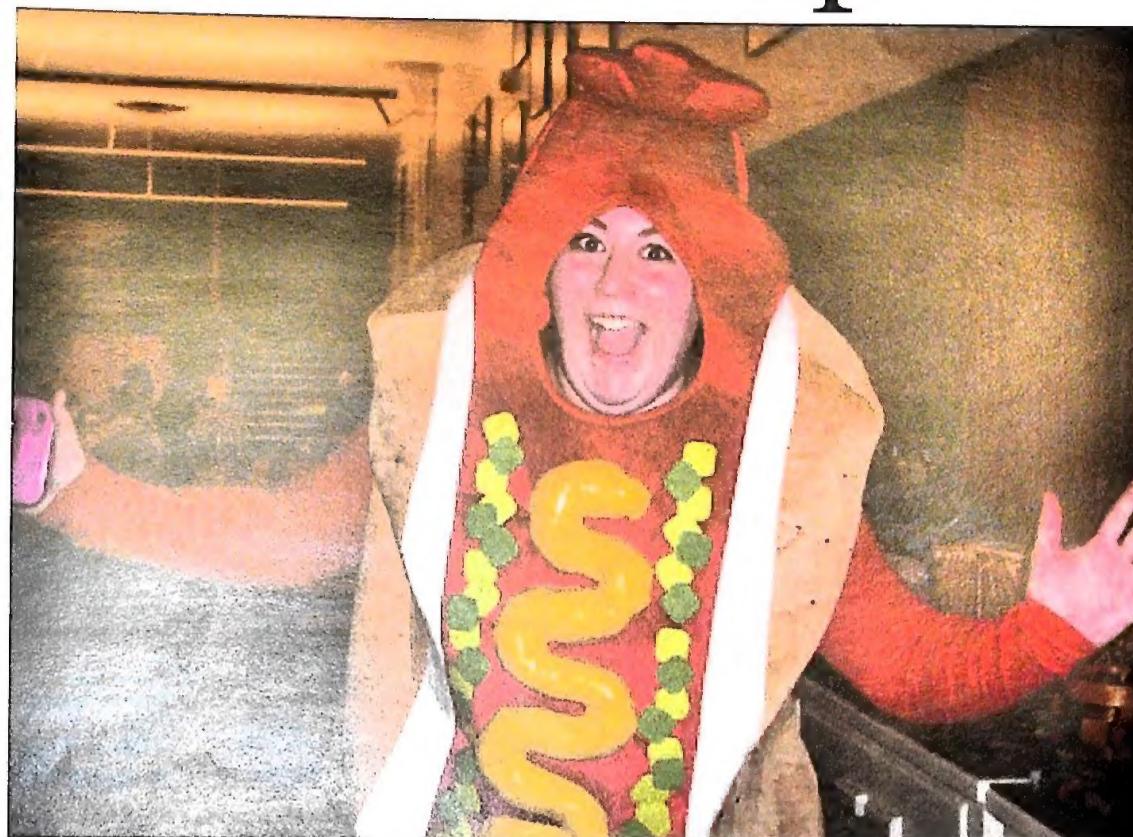
On Monday, Oct 26, the Latin American Student Organization (LASA) and the Spanish department set up a traditional alter in the SAC. Students were encouraged to leave messages for their deceased loved ones on a memory board near the chapel.

"Every year we try to change some of the activities that we include based on the interests and abilities of those who are involved in the planning," said Evelyn Nadeau, assistant Spanish professor. "Claudia knew of a memory book in which messages to those who have died can be left. She spoke to Sister Amy Golm about incorporating this into Campus Ministry's recognition of All Souls Day."

Claudia also added, "My favorite part is celebrating the life of those who made an impact on my life like my paternal grandma, my aunts, and my dog."

Other events include a showing of "La Muerte Viva" on Thursday and sugar skull decorations on Friday. Students can also make traditional candy earrings and wristbands.

On Nov 2 at 4 p.m. there will be a discussion in the SAC for all students to enjoy.



Senior Jessica Lange dressed as a hot dog for annual Halloween Pancake Breakfast. Photo by Tina Fry.

(ex. holding an empty can of coffee and a mug while having a crazed look on face makes anyone "The Caffeinator," a new hero who brings energy to the masses).

When all else fails, embodying chaos is a popular thrown-together costume. This can be achieved by mixing and matching contrasting shirts, pants and accessories. Props and wacky clothes make the outfit work.

When it comes down to it, the main point of Halloween costumes is to explore what you enjoy and what you have to work with. Nobody will remember the umpteenth person seen wearing a vampire costume, but not a single person will forget a costume only worn by one person: you.

Clarke athletes trick or treat for kids

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The Clarke men's volleyball team and women's soccer team say they had a great time when they dressed up in their Halloween costumes to volunteer at the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquamarine on Sunday, Oct. 25. Volunteers handed out candy to the children who walked through the "spooky" boat (The William M. Black) with their families. The trick or treating path curled through the boat decorated with skeleton heads, spider webs, and ghosts.

"I was just going to volunteer because it was mandatory for the team but it ended up being a great time," freshman communication major Tyler Oehmen said. "Jeremy Deweerd's Obama costume was the best one I saw all night. I had a great time working with the little kids and they loved my Darth Vader costume. I hope next year I can go back and volunteer again."

Joe Kosciw, freshman biology/ physical therapy major from the men's volleyball team, said, "I learned that all the kids in Dubuque really like candy. I had a great time working with them and volunteering. I cannot wait for next year to go back and help the children next fall. It was really cool to give back to the community."

The women's soccer team enjoyed volunteering as much as the men's volleyball team. "I chose to volunteer because it was a team-required activity but the experience was better than any I could have expected," said freshman athletic training/ physical therapy major Jordan Palmer. "Handing out candy to the children was really rewarding and I loved their cute costumes. I am going to suggest that the women's soccer team returns next fall to help out again."

Senior psychology major Becca Bradford said, "As a team we feel that it is important to be active in the community. The town of Dubuque is supportive of Clarke and we wanted to give back to show thanks. Volunteering for the trick or treating event was a fun way to give back. The kids were having a great time. It feels good to help out others."

ARTS ETC.

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REVIEW: Another knockout in the Fight Night Franchise

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The greatest fighters of the past meet the new generation in EA's "Fight Night Round 4." In the game players can create dream matches that could not have happened in real life. One that many fans have enjoyed is the showdown between Muhammad Ali and Mike Tyson. This fight is interesting because it reflects a period when both men were in their prime.

Another great aspect of the game is the number of fighters the player can choose from. The roster includes new fighters such as Miguel Cotto, Victor Ortiz, Yuiorkis Gamboa and Kermit Cintron. Then there are classic fighters: Roberto Duran, George Foreman Joe Frazier, and Sugar Ray Leonard. The detail for each fighter is amazing, and at times it feels as if you are watching a real fight. From the sweat flying off your opponent's face to the flashing of the cameras when the boxers are going for the knockout, you feel the realism of the sport. ESPN commentators Joe Tessatore and Teddy Atlas provide commentary. The venues in the game are ones that fans will be familiar with. Some include the MGM Grand, Staples Center, and Atlantic City Boardwalk. These locations will have fans living their fantasies of competing on

the biggest stages
in boxing today.

However, the most exciting part of the game is the legacy mode. In this mode players are able to create their own fighter. Along with this feature, different brands of boxing equipment are also available: brands such as Everlast, Grant, Lonsdale and Nike are

Another great feature is that you can take a picture of your face and scan it on to a boxer's body. It is amazing to see the bruises and black eyes on your personal fighter, a feature that has not been part of any previous fighting game. Uploading your music for your fighter's walkout adds to establishing your fighter's legacy.

There are a couple of drawbacks that prevent "Fight Night Round 4" from becoming a perfect boxing game. First, is the mini games in the legacy mode. They are used for training purposes to get your fighter stronger.



but at times become difficult to complete resulting in a low score. Another problem that many fans are having is the control buttons that at times frustrate the player. When throwing punches or blocking, the player has to use the analog controls, and while it is a new way to control your punches, at times the boxer doesn't throw the punch you expect and that can result in getting stunned by the opponent or knocked out. Finally, the biggest nuisance of the game is that in Legacy mode there is not much to do but train, fight and schedule your next opponent. This can make the game boring and repetitive.

Overall- "Fight Night Round 4" is a game that boxing fans and casual gamers can enjoy, with numerous options for creating the perfect fighter and moving up in different weight classes the game can be entertaining for hours. This is the best boxing game out now, that is until round 5 is created.

Score:
9.5/10

Check out these BOOOOOOovies!

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Horror movies have been around since the beginning of cinema. There have been classics, such as "The Shining," "Exorcism," and "Halloween." As we are all aware, however, Hollywood has spit out some terrible scary movies, for example, "The Ring" (just dumb), "The Village", and "Fear Dot Com." In recent years, the Courier has reviewed horror movies that go along with a Halloween theme. However, this year I am going to list my top three scariest movies in the past 10 years.

In my definition a good horror film is based on something that could really occur. Could these events happening in the movie take place in real life? If so, that particular movie just

went to another level because as a viewer I know this could actually happen. "Saw," "Hannibal," and "Blair Witch Project" are my top three horror movies of the past decade.

The first "Saw" film was the best. As years have passed, the series has seen its ups and downs, but up to the point when the first film was released there had not been a horror film of this caliber in years. This movie is based on a mad scientist-like character who puts civilians in torture situations, forcing them to decide how badly they want to live. This film is very gory and very real, making "Saw" one of my favorite films.

In "The Blair Witch Project," three college film students set out to shoot a documentary about an urban legend.

end. The three end up going missing and their film and information are found one year later and turned into a movie. One of the scariest elements of this movie is how real everything is. Using hand-held camcorders and night vision settings made it really seem as though these events actually happened, even if they truly didn't. Love it or hate it, this is one of the scariest movies of the past decade, whether it was faked or not.

My third and final movie is "Hannibal." There has always been an eeriness in the Hannibal series; maybe it is because he eats people or because of the sick and twisted mind he has. Either way, it makes my list because, as we all know, there are some sick people in the world today which,

unfortunately, makes this movie realistic. Hannibal brings a sense of creepiness and suspense to the film simply because, as a viewer, you don't know what to expect next from him. A mixture of gore, suspense, and reality puts "Hannibal" on my list of scariest movies of the past decade.

To me a good scary movie must be believable. If I watch a movie and it has some crazy creature climbing out of somebody's stomach or a phone ringing saying, "7 days," I'm not going to enjoy it. The good ones aren't like this; instead; they have realistic scenes and situations. Simply put, scary movies need to be real to us.

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—SPORTS—

Sheilds breaks 1,000 Kills

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Forty-eight kills in the Ashford University Invitational put junior middle hitter into the 1,000 kills club on Oct. 4. Her success reflects the teamwork of the Clarke women's volleyball team and Shields herself.

"She had no idea that she had achieved this mark," said women's volleyball coach Chris Miron. "The fact that she isn't combing over her stats and keeping track of her individual efforts is a comment about her commitment to our team concept."

Ashley is the first woman in Clarke history to join the 1,000 kills club as a junior according to coach Miron. She ranks fourth on the overall ranking with 1,157 career kills, and the season isn't over.

Only 13 Clarke men and women have achieved this record, four in the last five years.

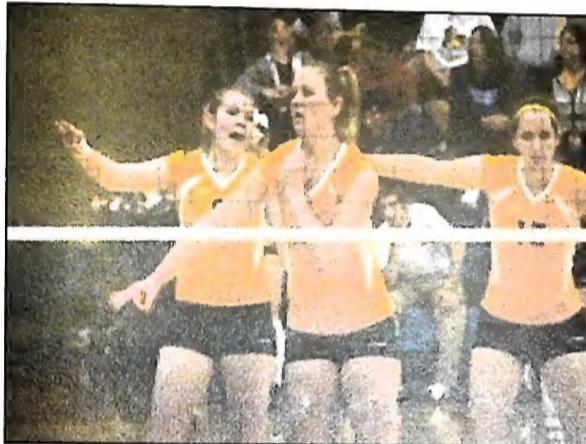
"I think this shows that Ashley is a go-to player," said setter Tina Zielinski. "As a team we support her accomplishment."

Shields has also won many all-tournament awards. This year she won at the Dominican University Tournament and UW-Lacrosse Invitational. In addition she maintains a high GPA as a nursing major.

"I think the awesome passes and sets really helped me to get a thousand kills this early," said Shields. "Coming from a state team in high school, I had a lot of confidence coming in as a freshman and I think the multiple opportunities I have been given have allowed me to get this far."

Freshman Mary Collier said, "Ashley is a great person to play next to on the court. She is always positive and optimistic. She gives credit to the people who deserve it. And she loves to run crazy plays and switch positions with me in the middle of practice."

One thousand kills is only the beginning of Shields' goals. "We're going to win a conference game this year and play really well in playoffs. I defiantly think I can reach the overall career kill mark before I graduate, especially with all the support of my team and my mom."



Ashley Shields (center) along with teammates Bridget Bowman and Mary Collier points out blockers.

Score:
9.5/10

Megan Chitty sets record

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For athletes playing a sport they have a passion for it can help them if they set goals to accomplish for the season. Sometimes they meet or exceed those expectations, while other times they fall short. Megan Chitty, a freshman majoring in nursing, set a record for the women's golf team by obtaining a score of 76 on an 18-hole course.

"I was really happy I put two nine rounds together," she said.

To prepare, Megan did what any other athlete would do: She went out to the driving range and practiced. "I had received a new set of clubs and went to the range to get the feel of the new ones," she said. The interesting part of her record-breaking score was that the

new clubs gave her trouble a few games back. For a while Megan was contemplating using her old set of



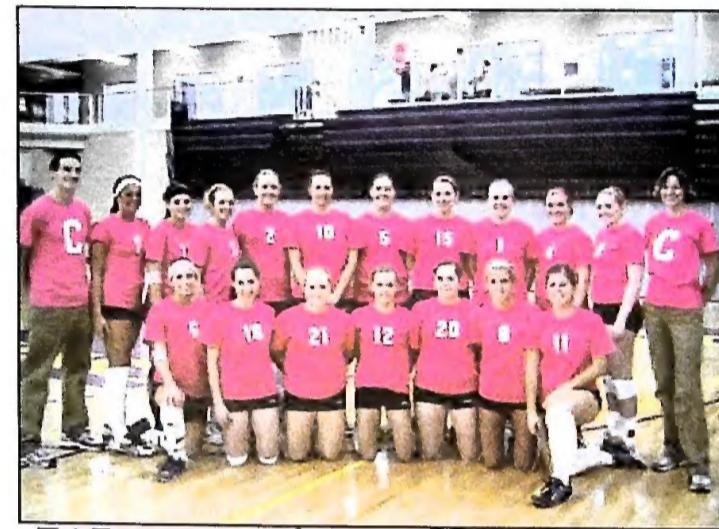
clubs. "I decided to wing it with the new clubs; I didn't think I would do well, but then I was carefree."

Another victory for the golf team was its win over both Mount Mercy and St. Ambrose. St. Ambrose is

a nationally ranked team, and Megan said that one of Coach Rick Arrington's goals was to knock off a national team. "It was great that we not only won but to have beaten a national team and do it so soon was amazing," she said.

While recognition affects people in different ways, Megan insists that she has not developed a big ego. She emphasized that by setting this record it reaffirmed her hopes for doing well.

"When I started, I was expecting to not do well, but when I got better, I was able to get my hopes up," she said. "Now I have gone back to my old expectations of trying hard and doing my best."



Women's volleyball digs for a cure

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Clarke women's volleyball team will be digging for more than just points this Monday. The ladies will be raising money to help support the fight against cancer by digging for a cure.

This event has special significance for one particular player. Jill Severding's father was diagnosed with cancer earlier this fall. "I like the idea that we're using our service project to do something so helpful," said Severding. "Cancer is not a disease that effects just one person. It affects a whole family."

The women's team will be wearing pink uniforms when they play Ashford University in their last home match of the season. In addition they will be collecting donations throughout the week. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society to help find a cure. The sophomore class is also selling pink and black shirts to have a pink out during the game. Pink ribbons will line the top curtain with the names of players' friends and family who have or are recovering from cancer.

Fund raising for cancer through volleyball is not a new idea. Dig Pink is a nation wide breast cancer awareness rally held all of October to raise awareness and funds. It is run by the Side-Out foundation, which supports health care professionals in their pursuit of solutions for people living with this disease. The foundation's goal is to raise over \$1 million and to have a thousand colleges participate in a fundraising night. The National Cancer Institute estimates that one out of every eight women in the United States will have breast cancer in her lifetime.

The team played at Loras College last Wednesday at Loras' Dig Pink night and wore their pink uniforms when playing UW- Lacrosse. Lacrosse's head coach was diagnosed with cancer earlier this year.

"We conducting our service project in coordination with National Breast Cancer Awareness Month," said coach Chris Miron. "We have contacted various clubs and organizations providing an open invitation to them, asking them to join us by creating and displaying an informational bulletin board regarding cancer research information."

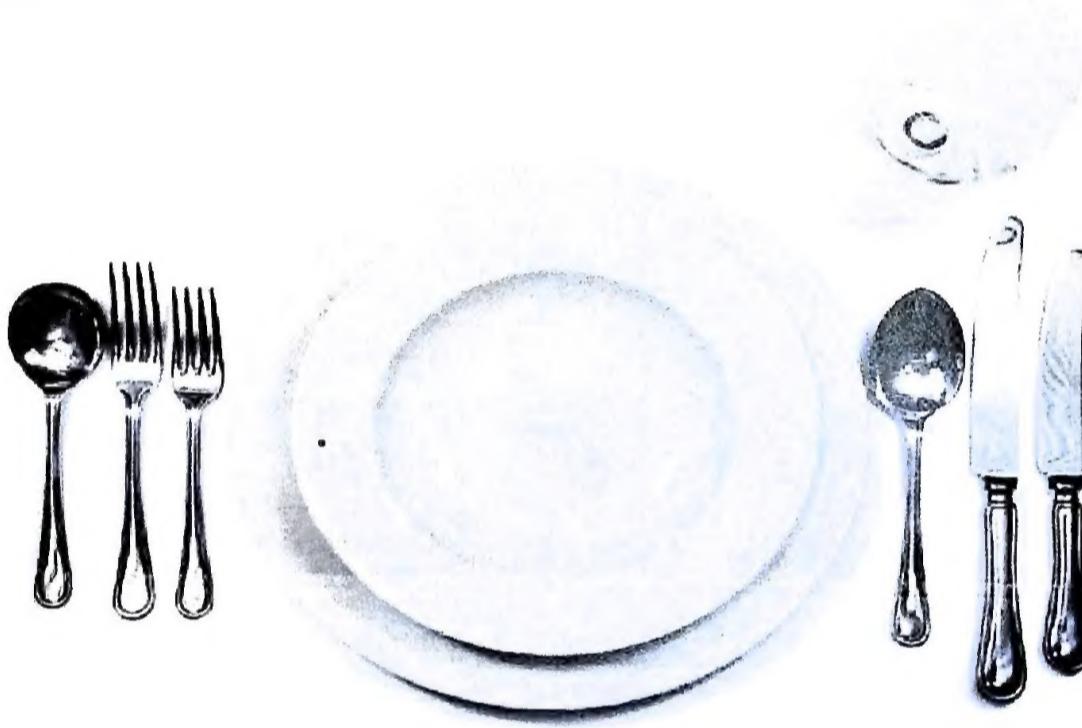
Any students interested in helping out can contact Coach Miron at 588-6304 or email at chris.miron@clarke.edu. Students looking for support or help when dealing with a family member with cancer should go to <http://www.cancernews.com/support.html>.

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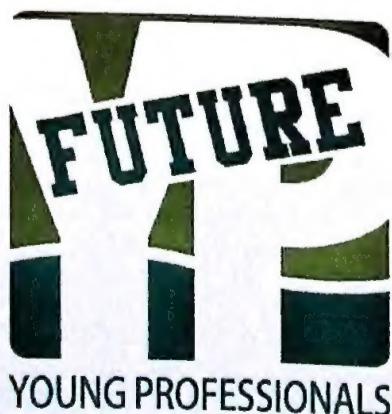
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